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DEATH FOR AMERICANS CERTAIN WHEN HUERTA FALLS, FERREE AVERS

Times Correspondent, Free From Censorship,
Wires Real State of Affairs in Mexico—Mu-
tiny of Unpaid Federal Soldiers Places Life of
President in Jeopardy.

UNITED STATES SHOULD ACT AT ONCE,
TO PREVENT SLAUGHTER, IS ADVICE

Martin Ferree, The Washington Times correspondent in Mexico City, who was deported by President Huerta for sending The Times the exact news of the situation in Mexico, reached Havana, Cuba, yesterday, on his way to New York city. From there he has sent to The Times the true facts of Huerta's position—information which he could not file in Mexico, where he had been held incommunicado from the time of his arrest until his departure.

Ferree is a citizen of Mexico, and for years a resident of Mexico City. He was friendly with the Huerta regime and knows much of the inside history of its rise to power and the causes which, he says, are now speeding it to its end. Here is what Ferree cables from Havana today:

By MARVIN FERREE.

HAVANA, Cuba, Aug. 24.—Immediate steps should be taken by the United States to remove Huerta. Otherwise the loss of life and property among Americans and other foreigners in Mexico will be fearful. The situation is acute, for Huerta is penniless and the end of his administration is only a matter of days. His unpaid soldiers are mutinous. Unless he finds money for them they will put him to death and then join the rebels to save themselves. Past events prove that money, and money alone, keeps federal troops loyal to the administration.

If Huerta cannot pay these soldiers, and cannot find enough money to run the government—and there seems to be no way in which he may—then his administration is doomed and he himself cannot escape death, except by fleeing the country.

Daily the bandits are drawing closer to Mexico City. Daily their raids upon the outlying towns have become more daring. They torture and kill Americans and other foreigners. Huerta does nothing to prevent them.

Residents of the suburbs are hastening to the capital, leaving their homes to the torch of the bandits.

If Huerta's soldiers mutiny, the outrages of Durango, Aguas Caliente, and Torreon will pale into insignificance besides the atrocities that will come when infuriated mutineers and savage bandits sack Mexico City.

Huerta has had no money for nearly two weeks. Since then he has appeased the soldiery with promises. France, his last hope, has definitely refused to advance him another cent. The last money that Huerta procured came from the bankers and wealthy men of Mexico City. By threats

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WORLD NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF

DOMESTIC.
Baltimore, Md.—At a meeting of the directors of the Georgia, Alabama, and Florida railroad, Mrs. Cora B. Williams was elected president, succeeding her husband, the late Capt. J. P. Williams.
Muskegon, Mich.—After struggling in a gale which swept Lake Michigan, Commodore Perry's flagship Niagara was brought into the local port by the U. S. S. Wolverine.
Lima, Ohio.—Refusing to report the theft of her purse to the police and to accept money from friends, Rose Pastor Stokes, of New York, socialist speaker and settlement worker, is "stranded" in a local hotel with only \$5 cents and her baggage in her possession.
Dayton, Ohio.—Police are investigating a \$5,000 robbery which was discovered here. Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burnham, of Los Gatos, Cal., deposited diamonds to the amount of \$5,000 at the desk of a local hotel, which have since disappeared.
Baltimore.—Louis Cherbonier, son of Mrs. Caleb Cherbonier, one of the most prominent horsemen in the State, was killed last evening by a Pennsylvania train, near Timonium fair grounds.

Legal and Medical Experts in Thaw Case and Canadian Judge

J. N. GREENSHIELDS, K. C., Eminent Criminal Lawyer, a Millionaire, Who Has Retired From Active Practice, Who Will Be Chief of Thaw's Lawyers.
JUSTICE GOBLENSKY, Of Canadian Court, Before Whom Thaw's Habeas Corpus Proceedings Will Be Argued On Wednesday. This Judge Is the One That Counsel For Thaw Argued Into a Postponement of the Case For Seven Days, Despite Objection By New York's Counsel.
WILLIAM TRAVERS JEROME, Former District Attorney of New York, Who Will Lead That State's Legal Forces in Canadian Action. Thaw Was Sent To Matteawan By Jerome.



Thaw's Imposing Array of Medical Experts: Left To Right—DR. W. A. STARRING, R. H. POPE, DR. EVANS, DR. G. L. HUME, and DR. J. LEDOUX. DR. EVANS IS CHIEF OF STAFF. HE IS AN AMERICAN. THE OTHER ARE CANADIANS.

AGED MAN IS KILLED; MOTORIST ESCAPES

Police of Philadelphia Hunt for
Mysterious Driver Who
Ran Him Down.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 24.—The death this morning of Nathan Fisher, sixty years old, of York road, who was found in a battered condition near his home late last night, has set the police of this city and of Abington township searching for the automobilist who is believed to have killed him. Fisher was unconscious on the road when discovered by a policeman. He died several hours after being brought to the hospital.

Commits Suicide in Home of His Brother

Jacob L. Levy, thirty-five years old, single and a salesman residing with his brother, William Levy, at 919 Seventh street northeast, committed suicide this morning by hanging. The body was found hanging from a strap, taken from a trunk in the front hall room on the second floor.

Girl's Body Found After Night's Search

OSHING, N. Y., Aug. 24.—The body of Miss Nan Secor, seventeen-year-old daughter of George F. Secor, banker and broker, who fell from her father's yacht, was recovered after an all-night search. Mr. and Mrs. Secor, with their daughter and two sons, Andrew and Frederick, were on a fishing trip aboard Mr. Secor's yacht, the Peggy. Mr. Secor was at the wheel, and his daughter stood at the rail not more than an arm's length away when she fell into the water.

Barber Beats Boxer.

PHILADELPHIA, August 24.—William O'Hearn, aged thirty-five, a former professional boxer, and Salvatore Vititto, a barber, quarreled. Result, fourteen stitches in O'Hearn's face. A crowd almost took the barber from the master of Mr. Baswell physically he boasted that he purposed to

FURIOUS MOB HUNTS ASSAILANT OF WOMAN

Posses Scour Woods, Sworn to Hang Victim as Soon as He Is
Captured—Man and Wife Cut and Bruised by Terrific Battle With Intruder at Home Near Indian Head.

Having sworn to hang William Thomas, colored, from the nearest tree in the same hour in which he is caught, an infuriated mob of farmers is beating through the woods of Charles county, Maryland, today.

The man hunt follows a brutal attack on Mrs. Samuel Boswell, wife of a farmer near Indian Head. Armed with pitchfork and gun, axe and rope, scores of men kept up the hunt all last night and today.

The Washington police are keeping a sharp lookout for the fugitive and are in telephonic communication with the officials of Charles county, who will be helpless to save their prisoner if he is taken by the men now after him.

DESPERATE HALF HOUR STRUGGLE.

After struggling for almost half an hour with Mrs. Samuel Boswell, thirty years, in a desperate attempt to overpower her, the battle being witnessed by her three small children, the colored man engaged in a hand to hand fight with her husband, who entered just in time to prevent a worse crime. The intruder nearly overpowered Boswell, but when the latter managed to get a butcher knife, the assailant fled. This occurred about 8 o'clock last night, and the man hunt which is still in progress began almost immediately.

This morning, over the long distance telephone, Constable Carpenter told a Times representative that Thomas entered the Boswell residence, and, according to the story told by Mrs. Boswell to her husband, he grabbed her from behind, pinning her arms and choking her. She screamed and made a desperate effort to free herself. Her three little children rushed into the room, but were powerless to aid their mother. Mrs. Boswell struggled with the man for a half hour, and just when her strength was about to fail her husband rushed in.

Attacks Boswell.

As soon as Mr. Boswell appeared the colored man, who is nearly six feet tall and proportionately built, dropped his hold on Mrs. Boswell and made a vicious attack on Mr. Boswell. Then followed a battle that continued for half an hour, in which each man took every advantage in an effort to kill the other. Fortunately for Mr. Boswell, the colored man was unarmed. When the assailant found that he was the master of Mr. Boswell physically he boasted that he purposed to

POLICE TO SCOUR CITY FOR SCHULTZ

Dragnet for Alleged Assassin
Thrown Out by Police Officials of Capital.

Central office detectives today brought into play the telephone and telegraph lines of the country and the United States mails in their search for Detlef H. Schultz, the stenographer who is charged with having shot and probably fatally wounded Francis A. Reilly, secretary to Senator Bristow, yesterday morning.

Thousands of circulars carrying a description of the fugitive were rushed from the presses during the night, and today were sent to every postoffice in the United States.

Reilly is slowly dying at the Casualty Hospital, whether he was taken a short time after the difficulty in a darkened street in northeast Washington, in which he was struck by two bullets, said to have been fired by his erstwhile friend and companion, Schultz.

He is unconscious, and attending physicians say there is no hope for his recovery.

So completely has Schultz disappeared that the police have been unable to find the clue that will lead to his whereabouts. While the police of outside cities have been asked to look out for the fugitive, Major Sylvester today started out on an expedition that will cover all Washington, before it is completed. Every hotel, boarding and rooming house in the city will be searched. Dr. Reilly, of the hospital staff, said this afternoon that Reilly was just alive, showed no signs of improvement, and that his life was seemingly hanging by a thread. The physicians have hoped that the young man would rally from the operation, but in this they have been disappointed. It seems only a question of a brief time before the young man will die.

It is thought by the detectives that, known to medical and surgical science has been done to save Reilly's life. The detectives have a theory that the postcard written to O. K. Davis, the newspaper man for whom Schultz worked, that was mailed to Mr. Smith from George Spilius the day Schultz arrived there were sent as a blind to the premeditated shooting of Reilly.

Neighbors Alarmed.

A short time after the colored man had made his escape Mr. Boswell alarmed the neighborhood and a number of men started to hunt for the assailant. Leaving friends with his wife and children, Mr. Boswell rode to Indian Head, eight miles distant, and, according to Constable Carpenter, reported the attempted assault. The constable at once organized a posse. Afling to get a trace of the fugitive, Constable Carpenter returned to Indian Head this morning at 8 o'clock and organized a fresh posse, among them many soldiers and employees of the Indian head reservation and took the field for a more complete and extensive hunt. The party will cover every section of the Potomac neighborhood, beating the brush and looking into every house where the fugitive might hide. The assailant is described as twenty-three years old, five feet eleven inches, a mulatto, cross-eyed, very wide mouth, dressed in blue overalls, blue shirt and slouch hat.

THAW IS DESPONDENT; HE MAY TALK HIMSELF BACK TO MATTEAWAN

Realizes the Real Battle for His Freedom Will Soon
Begin in Earnest, But Declares Confidence in
the Final Outcome—Is Warned by His Attor-
ney to Keep Silence.

DECLARES HE WILL FIGHT TO END TO
KEEP JEROME FROM PERSECUTING HIM

SHERBROOKE, Quebec, Aug. 24.—Harry K. Thaw is despondent. For the first time since his arrest last Sunday, today he gave way to a cry of bitterness. Insisting to The Times correspondent that he was not afraid of the outcome of the proceedings in Canada, Thaw said, pacing back and forth in his cell:

"Why should I fear anything? I was in the shadow of the death chair twice. You saw me then. Did I act as if I was afraid?"

"Sometimes I wonder if it would not have been better, after all, if I had been convicted and executed. At least all of my troubles would have been at an end."

"I want you to say for me that I am not afraid to go back to Matteawan, if I have to. But I will fight to the last to keep New York State and William Travers Jerome from further persecuting me. And if we are to fight either here or in Vermont, the world will at last have a chance to see the animus behind this fight to keep me, a sane man, in an insane asylum. It is the influence of the most infamous debauchers of maidenhood ever known that is still at work."

Thaw may talk himself back into Matteawan. With a force of the most expensive attorneys ever mustered in a Canadian criminal case searching the code for a method of keeping him outside the asylum, Thaw continues to give out long, rambling interviews. They cover every subject under the sun and are having the effect of convincing Canadian officials that Thaw really is insane.

Former Governor Stone of Pennsylvania, the personal counsel of Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw, Harry's mother, warned Thaw to keep still. He made it very plain to Stanford White's lawyer that unless he followed the lawyers' directions the outcome would be unpleasant. And Stone also took charge of the disorganized force of lawyers and began arranging for next Wednesday's legal fight. He has made J. H. Greenshields, K. C., the chief of staff in court proceedings.

A suggestion, made as a joke to Thaw, has been seriously discussed today. It was to have him commit a minor crime here so that he could get into court. Commit an assault on a jail keeper or some one of your own lawyers is the way the suggestion was made. Then when you are arrested fight it through to the finish.

Laughed at by the father of the plan, it made an appeal to Thaw. He insisted that his lawyers consider it, and they are doing so.

THAW INSISTS HE DOES NOT FEAR FINAL OUTCOME.

Thaw remained in his cell in the jail on the hillside today. Governor Stone and his friend, George McLeish, called on him. They went over the plans at great length, but up to the present Thaw has not decided whether peacefully to accept exclusion, and a return to Vermont, or to fight to stay here in Canada. Thaw has said that he likes the latter plan, but his lawyers have warned him that if the fight is made here, even though they can be sure of at least three years' delay, if he loses in the end he will be deported into New York State. And Thaw does not desire that.

Today it seemed almost certain that all of the court proceedings would be discussed Wednesday. Then Thaw will be arrested by the immigration authorities, taken to Coaticook, where he was arrested, and given a hearing before an immigration board of inquiry. That board will reject Thaw, and he will be sent over into the States via the little hamlet of Derby Line, in Vermont he will be arrested

immediately at the request of the New York authorities, and the fight for his freedom will begin in earnest. Realization of this seemed to make Thaw despondent today. But he insisted to The Times correspondent that he was not afraid of the final outcome.

Aged Woman Dies on Her Way to Hospital

Mrs. Amanda B. Johnson, seventy-four years old, residing at 1008 Park road northwest, accompanied by her daughter while out for a street car ride, was taken suddenly ill as the car arrived at the Union Station. An automobile was pressed into service and Mrs. Johnson was taken to the Casualty Hospital. She died before reaching there. She was a native of New York city and had been a resident of Washington for the past five years.